

You are in a position to support truth and democracy or distort it. I am dismayed and appalled that you would choose to do the latter and even think about giving air time to a blatant and misleading political advertisement. I am a dedicated and devoted patriotic citizen. I deeply resent such an anti-American action on your part. After all, you are only "borrowing" MY air waves tfor slam and smear.

I urge you to reconsider your actions. At the very least, please follow your unsrupulous pandering with an unexpergated chaser of "Upriver." Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.